

Amendments to the Claims

Please replace the Claims as shown below:

1. (currently amended) A non-contact security system for providing a personal identification security feature with a portable computing device, said system

comprising:

an entryway;

a portable computing device comprising a radio frequency identification integrated circuit that outputs a radio frequency signal containing a security code in response to being located within a radio frequency signal field, said radio frequency identification integrated circuit is inactive except when located within said radio frequency signal field; and

an identification security feature incorporated with said portable computing device, said identification security feature capable of unlocking a locking mechanism of an entryway.

a reader device that outputs said radio frequency signal field and receives said radio frequency signal, said reader device outputs a release signal if said security code is authorized; and

a locking mechanism that unlocks said entryway upon receipt of said release signal.

2. (original) The system as described in Claim 1 wherein said portable computing device comprises a personal digital assistant (PDA).

3. (original) The system as described in Claim 1 wherein said portable computing device comprises a pager.

4. (original) The system as described in Claim 1 wherein said portable computing device comprises a portable telephone.

a! 5. (original) The system as described in Claim 1 wherein said portable computing device comprises a laptop computer system.

6. (currently amended) The system as described in Claim 1 wherein said ~~identification security feature comprises a radio frequency identification tag~~ security code is unique.

7. (currently amended) The system as described in Claim 1 wherein said ~~identification security feature comprises wireless communication~~ security code is common.

8. (currently amended) The system as described in ~~Claim 7~~ Claim 1 wherein said ~~wireless communication comprises infrared communication~~ radio frequency identification integrated circuit is incorporated with a snap-on adapter fabricated to couple to said portable computing device.

9. (currently amended) The system as described in ~~Claim 1~~ Claim 8 wherein said ~~identification security feature comprises wired communication~~ snap-on adapter is fabricated from plastic, nylon, or carbon fiber.

10. (currently amended) The system as described in Claim 1 wherein said ~~identification security feature adapted to communicate with~~ portable computing device comprises a processor of said portable computing device and software, said processor coupled to said radio frequency identification integrated circuit, said software operates on said portable computing device and tracks the time and date said portable computing device enters said entryway.

11. (currently amended) The system as described in ~~Claim 1~~ Claim 10 wherein said ~~identification security feature comprises a security code~~ software creates a personal log documenting said portable computing device ingress and egress of said entryway.

12. (currently amended) A docking station security system ~~for providing a personal identification security feature with a portable computer system,~~ said system comprising:

an entryway;

a docking station;

a portable computer system that outputs a signal containing a password once coupled to said docking station, wherein said docking station receives and outputs said signal; and

~~an identification security feature incorporated with said portable computer system, said identification security feature comprises a security code which is able to unlock a mechanism which secures an entryway.~~

a reader device receives said signal from said docking station, said reader device outputs a release signal if said password is authorized; and

a locking mechanism that unlocks said entryway upon receipt of said release signal.

13. (original) The system as described in Claim 12 wherein said portable computer system comprises a personal digital assistant (PDA).

14. (original) The system as described in Claim 12 wherein said portable computer system comprises a pager.

15. (original) The system as described in Claim 12 wherein said portable computer system comprises a portable telephone.

16. (original) The system as described in Claim 12 wherein said portable computer system comprises a laptop computer system.

17. (currently amended) The system as described in Claim 12 wherein said ~~identification security feature comprises a security code~~ password is unique or common.

18. (currently amended) The system as described in Claim 12 wherein said ~~identification security feature comprises wireless communication~~ docking station comprises a mechanical and electrical interface for interfacing with a communication interface of said portable computer system.

19. (currently amended) The system as described in Claim 12 wherein said ~~identification security feature comprises wired communication~~ portable computer system comprises software that tracks the time and date said portable computer system enters said entryway.

20. (currently amended) The system as described in Claim 12 wherein said ~~identification security feature adapted to communicate with a processor of said portable computer system~~ docking station enables communication between said portable computer system and said reader device.

21. (currently amended) A method for ~~providing a personal identification security feature with~~ utilizing a portable computing device with a security system, said method comprising the steps of:

[[a]] installing ~~an identification security feature~~ a radio frequency identification integrated circuit with a portable computing device;

[[b]] installing a security code with said ~~identification security feature~~ radio frequency identification integrated circuit; and

[[c]] ~~selectively~~ transmitting said security code when said radio frequency identification integrated circuit is energized by a radio frequency signal field;

receiving said security code; and

unlocking a secured entryway provided said security code is authorized.

22. (currently amended) The method ~~for providing a personal identification security feature with a portable computing device~~ as described in Claim 21 further comprising the step of:

(d) ~~in response to receiving wherein~~ said security code, ~~unlocking a secured entryway is~~ unique or common.

23. (currently amended) The method ~~for providing a personal identification security feature with a portable computing device~~ as described in Claim 21 wherein said step (a) comprises the step of:

~~installing said identification security feature with said portable computing device, wherein~~ said portable computing device comprises a personal digital assistant (PDA).

24. (currently amended) The method for providing a personal identification security feature with a portable computing device as described in Claim 21 wherein said step (a) comprises the step of:

installing said identification security feature with said portable computing device, wherein said portable computing device comprises a pager.

a 25. (currently amended) The method for providing a personal identification security feature with a portable computing device as described in Claim 21 wherein said step (a) comprises the step of:

installing said identification security feature with said portable computing device, wherein said portable computing device comprises a calculator.

26. (currently amended) The method for providing a personal identification security feature with a portable computing device as described in Claim 21 wherein said step (a) comprises the step of:

installing said identification security feature with said portable computing device, wherein said portable computing device comprises a portable communication device.

27. (currently amended) The method for providing a personal identification security feature with a portable computing device as described in Claim 21 wherein said step (a) comprises the step of:

~~installing said identification security feature with said portable computing device, wherein said portable computing device comprises a laptop computer system.~~

28. (currently amended) The method ~~for providing a personal identification security feature with a portable computing device~~ as described in Claim 21 wherein said step (a) ~~comprises the step of:~~

a! ~~installing said identification security feature with said portable computing device, wherein said identification security feature comprises wireless communication~~
radio frequency identification integrated circuit is incorporated with a snap-on adapter fabricated to couple to said portable computing device.

29. (currently amended) The method ~~for providing a personal identification security feature with a portable computing device~~ as described in Claim 21 wherein said step (a) ~~comprises the step of~~ further comprising:

~~installing said identification security feature with said portable computing device, wherein said identification security feature comprises wired communication~~
tracking the time and date said portable computing device enters said entryway.

30. (currently amended) The method ~~for providing a personal identification security feature with a portable computing device~~ as described in Claim 21 wherein said step (a) ~~comprises the step of~~ further comprising:

~~installing said identification security feature with said portable computing device, wherein said identification security feature comprises a security code~~ creating

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a personal log documenting said portable computing device ingress and egress of
said entryway.
